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SUBJECT: HARARE EAC MEETS ON 4/9 TO REVIEW CURRENT SITUATION

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Classified By: AMBASSADOR JAMES D. MCGEE, REASONS 1.4 (A) (G)

[1](#)1. (C) The Harare EAC reconvened on April 9, to evaluate the current situation, with particular focus on reports that ZANU-PF is planning a campaign of intimidation in rural areas. Ambassador McGee chaired the meeting; present were the DCM, RSO and representatives from POL, DAO, CONS, USAID, MGT, RAO, CDC, IMO, GSO, MED, and PAS. The EAC agreed that current precautions, and particularly Post's policy to evaluate in-country travel requests on a case-by-case basis, are appropriate (Reftel A). CONS will draft a revised travel alert to reflect the current situation and recommend that private citizens also carefully evaluate travel plans. The Ambassador agreed with EAC recommendations.
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